

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

CIVIL MINUTES - GENERAL

Case No. EDCV 11-798 JVS (OPx) Date June 17, 2011

Title Alcala v. Best Buy Stores, L.P.

Present: The Honorable James V. Selna

Karla J. Tunis

Deputy Clerk

Not Present

Court Reporter

Attorneys Present for Plaintiffs:

Not Present

Attorneys Present for Defendants:

Not Present

**Proceedings: (In Chambers) Order to Show Cause re Jurisdiction**

The Court has made a preliminary review of the jurisdictional allegations  
in the:

Complaint, filed

X Notice of Removal ("Notice") filed May 20, 2011

by Best Buy Stores, L.P. ("Best Buy").

The initial pleading appears to invoke jurisdiction Court on the basis of diversity of citizenship, 28 U.S.C. § 1332. (Notice, ¶ 5 .) Jurisdiction on this basis requires complete diversity.

The following party to the action are alleged to be a limited partnership ("LP"):

Best Buy.

For purposes of diversity jurisdiction, an LP takes on the citizenship of each of its members. Grupo Dataflux v. Atlas Global Group, L.P., 541 U.S. 567, 569 (2004); Carden v. Arkoma Associates, 494 U.S. 185, 195 (1990); see Boulder Creek Co. V. Maruko, Inc., 772 F. Supp. 1150 1153 (C.D. Cal 1991). In order to determine diversity, the Court must consider the citizenship of each LP member, and if a member is an LP or a limited liability company, the citizenship of its members. Presently, the Court cannot tell if jurisdiction has been properly invoked.

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Best Buy is ordered to file an amended initial pleading within 15 days identifying each member of the LP and the member's citizenship and principal place of business as the date of the filing of the initial pleading. If any member is itself an LP or a limited liability company, the same information shall be provided for each subtier member, and if need be, for each successive subtier.

**A failure to respond may result in remand of the case to the Superior Court of the State of California for lack of jurisdiction.**

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